



RIPPINGALE VILLAGE NEWSLETTER EDITORIAL POLICY

Background

Sadly, the origins of "Rippingale News" have been lost in the mists of time, but it has been published since 1998, twelve times a year by volunteer Mrs. Mary Morgan who also coordinates a team of volunteer residents who deliver the publication - free of charge - to every house in the village of Rippingale. Mary Morgan succeeded volunteer Audrey Phillips (R.I.P.) The newsletter was "run off" (photocopied) at the village school - where the 300+ copies often proved too much for the copying equipment. It is now commercially printed and the cost of producing the Newsletter is met by Rippingale Parish Council. The Newsletter may contain commercial advertising.

Aims

Rippingale Newsletter aims to provide a record of life and a service to the local community by:

- Providing reports of Parish Council Meetings
- Providing information about local events and activities
- Supplying information regarding future local events
- Encouraging an exchange of views on local issues in a positive and constructive manner
- Providing local community groups and clubs a forum for reporting on their activities,

promote future events and recruiting new members.

- Giving local people an opportunity to acknowledge family events and space to be able to thank others publicly.

Editorial Contributions

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Editorial Policy

Community News

All items submitted to the Editor will be considered for inclusion in the Rippingale Newsletter. When deciding whether to publish an item, the following principles will be followed:

- All items are included entirely at the discretion of the Editor who reserves the right to edit or refuse to print any item submitted.
- Items of an overly political nature will not be accepted. Items of a controversial nature will not be presented in a way that could be construed as giving support to a political party.
- No charge is made for inclusion of a news item. However the Editor may request reimbursement of printing and collation costs for features or articles to be distributed as an accompaniment to the Newsletter. The features /articles are subject to the same conditions as the rest of the Community News.
- Views expressed in the Newsletter are not necessarily

those of the Editor, they are included in the interests of free speech.

- Items can be submitted by (preferably) e-mail, or alternatively as a printed /handwritten copy delivered to the Editor.
- It is the responsibility of the potential contributor to submit an item before the publication deadline, which is clearly stated in each issue of the Newsletter.
- Current contact details should be included with each item to provide further information for readers, if desired.
- Anonymous items will only be considered where the author has supplied their full name and contact details to the Editor with their contribution and have requested – with good reason – that these are withheld.
- Before printing a critical item the Editor reserves the right to approach the criticised person /group and offer an opportunity to reply, where possible in the same issue of the Newsletter. At their/ his/her discretion, the Editor may hold over the critical item to the following issue, or publish without a reply.
- The Editor cannot accept any liability for omissions, errors or mistakes which occur in production.
- The Editor cannot be liable for any loss or damage occasioned by the total or partial failure, however caused, of publication or distribution of the Rippingale Newsletter.
- Submission of a contribution shall be taken as an acceptance of the above Conditions.

The above Policy Document (v2) was reviewed and approved at a meeting of Rippingale Parish Council at a meeting on 11th Decembver, 2014, Chairman J. Latham.